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February 6, 2006

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk/Administrator
South Carolina Public Service Commission
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Request for Extended Calling Area in York County
PSC Docket No. 2005-241-C

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Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Commission, in Order 2005-463, requested ORS to conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of establishing an extended calling area York County. ORS has completed its investigation and has attached its findings.

Enclosed, please find the original plus ten copies of the redacted report and a Motion Requesting that Materials be Treated as Confidential. Additionally, in a separate envelope, ORS is submitting the original and ten copies of the complete, unredacted report which contains the information ORS requests to be filed under seal. Please date stamp the extra copy provided of each filing and return them with our courier.

Thank you for your assistance. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Benjamin P. Mustian

Enclosures

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
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IN RE: Request for Extended Area)	MOTION REQUESTING THAT
Service in York County)	MATERIALS BE TREATED AS
)	CONFIDENTIAL

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") treat the materials accompanying this motion as confidential. This motion is made on the following grounds:

1. The accompanying materials pursuant to Commission Order 2005-463 in which the Commission requested that ORS conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of establishing an extended calling area in York County. As part of its investigation, ORS requested certain information from telecommunications companies operating in that area. The companies provided data and related backup documentation which they deem confidential as it contains information regarding the companies' respective operations. The companies believe, in light of the more competitive telecommunications environment, it is not appropriate to make detailed information regarding the companies' operations publicly available. Further, they assert that access to this information could give actual and potential competitors an unfair competitive advantage.


2. Similar data and backup documentation have previously been provided under seal to the Commission in Docket No. 1997-239-C, and the Commission has afforded such similar material confidential treatment. Thus, confidential treatment of the data and backup

documentation accompanying this motion is consistent with the Commission's prior rulings and prior treatment of similar information.

3. The accompanying materials are filed in a sealed envelope with each page marked "Confidential" in red ink.

WHEREFORE, the Office of Regulatory Staff respectfully requests that the Commission treat the accompanying materials as confidential.

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